

## Los Bienaventurados (The Fortunate Ones) [Audio]

### Textual Transcription

Bienaventurados sean los lectoresy los anunciantes y los suscritores,los agentes todos del pueblo cuidar,siempre que nos traten con puntualidad.Bienaventurados sean los maridosque ya no vacilan fuera de sus nidos,los que hacen sus esposas tratando en cariñolavan los trastes y limpian los niños.Bienaventurados sean los solterosque no tienen vicios ni son parranderos,y que lo que ganan toda la semanales entregan al padre o la madre o el hermano.Bienaventuradas sean las señorasy que están en sus casas contando las horas,que tienen los ojo puestos en su hogary no nos dan chanzas para vacilar.Bienaventuradas, se hallan las lectorasjóvenes y niñas, viudas y señorasy que están en la boda o allá en el fogónvéalo, que ya piensan en el vacilón.Bienaventuradas, y anda señoritasmorenas y blancas, que son muy bonitas,que tienen un novio y nunca de a dosy qué hace si se casan como manda Dios.Bienaventuradas que sean las viudasque ven a los hombres y se muestran mudaslas que ya no piensan en volverse a casary al pobre difunto dejan descansar.Bienaventuradas que sean las suegrassiempre no asomen las uñas muy feas,que dan en la gloria y no en el infiernoy nunca molesten al pobre del yerno.

### English Translation

Blessed be the readers, and announcers and subscribers, all the agents watching the people, as long as they treat us punctually. Blessed be the husbands who don't roam away from their nests, those who aid their wives dealing in affection, washing dishes and cleaning the children. Blessed be the bachelors who don't have vices and don't go on binges, and all they earn in a week they give to father or mother or brother. Blessed be those wives who are in their houses counting the hours, who have their eyes fixed on their home and don't give us chances to mess around. Blessed be those readers, young women and girls, widows and wives, who are at weddings, or there by the stove, see, they are

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thinking about messing around.Blessed are those, young womendark skinned and white, who are very pretty,who have one boyfriend and never twoand who cares if they marry as God wills.Blessed be, the widows who look at men and become mute,those that don't think about marrying againwho let the poor husband rest in peace.Blessed be, the mothers-in-law,who don't always show their ugly claws,who are found in heaven and not in hell and never bother their poor sons-in-law.